

# VISIBLE RICHES THAT CLARENCE J. BERRY BROUGHT FROM THE KLONDYKE.



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THE BAGS, PICTURED IN THEIR ACTUAL SIZE, CONTAIN MORE THAN EIGHTY-FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS IN GOLD DUST AND NUGGETS.

Clarence J. Berry, of Fresno, Cal., was one of the most successful of the Klondyke miners. He and his partner took out \$130,000 from the placers during last season. Berry arrived in San Francisco last Tuesday, accompanied by his wife, who went with him as a bride to the Arctic gold fields in 1896. Mr. and Mrs. Berry were followed to the Grand Hotel by express messengers carrying bags that contained more than \$84,000 in gold dust and nuggets. These bags were piled about the room. When visited by friends Berry poured out on a table a heap of nuggets. One bag containing \$3,500 received particular attention, because the nuggets and dust were washed out by Mrs. Berry at odd moments of leisure from household duties. Notwithstanding his great success, Mr. Berry does not predict that fortune will come to all who seek the placers of the far North. He worked hard for three years before he made his strike, and during most of that time he lived on short rations and was in debt. He advises that no one go to the mines save strong men in sound health and accustomed to hard manual labor, and of such only those who have money to support them for two or three years. The sketches from which these pictures were drawn were made at the Grand Hotel, San Francisco.